

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Prior to entry of this response, Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-11, 13, and 15-20, 22-26, and 28 were pending in the application, of which claims 1, 11, 18, 19, and 22 are independent. In the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2006, claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 10, 13, 15-20, 23, 25, and 26 were allowed while claims 11, 22, 24, and 28 were rejected.

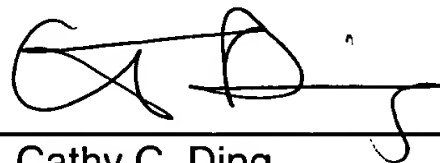
Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 10, 13, 15-20, 23, 25, and 26. In order to expedite allowance of this application, claims 11, 22, 24, and 28 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request a prompt and favorable action.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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